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The presentations here are representative of the work underway within DARPA's technical offices.

They were presented originally on August 9, 10, and 11, 2005, at DARPATech in Anaheim, California. We hope that, as you review them, they stimulate a few *powerful ideas* of your own. If so, come see us! We can be reached via our website, www.darpa.mil.